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QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L OSLO 4423

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PLOS, NO

SUBJ: SALBARD FISHERIES ZONE

REF: (A) OSLO 4371 (B) OSLO 4012

1. DURING MY MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER ON SEPTEMBER 5 TO
GIVE HIM SECRETARY'S LETTER (REF A) HE MENTIONED SVALBARD FISHERIES
AND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR OUR REMINDING HIM OF US. APPREHEN-
SION CONCERNING ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ECONOMIC ZONE THERE (OSLO 4012)
AND OF OUR INTEREST IN CONSULTATIONS BEFORE ACTIONS IN THIS REGARD
WERE SET IN CONCRETE. HE SAID THAT RAISING THE ISSUE WITH HIM
DURING OUR LAST MEETING HAD BEEN PARTICULARLY TIMELY IN THAT IT
ALLOWED THEM TIME TO MODIFY THE LANGUAGE OF THEIR PROPOSED
LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUCH ZONES. HE SAID
THEY SPECIFICALLY ADDED TO THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION WORDING
TO THE EFFECT THAT "THE GOVERNMENT IS STUDYING THE MEASURES
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THAT WILL BE TAKEN ABOUT FISHERIES AROUND SVALBARD" WHICH

CLEARLY INDICATE THAT ACTION ON THEIR
PART IS NOT IMMINENT AND THAT THERE WILL BE SOME OTHER FORM OF
REGULATION (THAN AN ECONOMIC ZONE) FOR THAT AREA.

2. COMMENT: LAW HAS NOW GONE THROUGH CABINET. EMBASSY WILL
ATTEMPT OBTAIN TEXT AND FORWARD TRANSLATION ASAP. PRESS SPECULATES
THAT GON WILL ANNOUNCE 200-MILE MAINLAND ZONE EFFECTIVE JANUARY
1, 1977 IN MIDDLE OF SEPTEMBER AT FISHERMAN'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL
MEETING. PROVISION IN BILL WHICH PROVIDES FOR SPECIAL AGREEMENTS
WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES CONCERNING FINES, CONFISCATION OF FOREIGN
VESSELS, AND OTHER ENFORCEMENT MEASURES IN CHARACTERIZED AS
"ADVANCE CAPITULATION" OF SOVIETS BY "VERDENS GANG"
"AND AS POSSIBLE FINLANDIZATION OF BARENTS SEA BY THE NORWEGIAN
JOURNAL OF COMMERCE AND SHIPPING." E/C CONS SEEKING APPOINTMENT
WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY LEGAL ADVISER ELIASSEN TO DISCUSS LAW AND
DEPARTMENT AND U.S. DELEGATION TO LOS CONFERENCE MAY WISH TO
RAISE IT WITH LOS MINISTER EVENSEN AND NORWEGIAN DELEGATION
MEMBERS WHO DRAFTED TEXT.
ANDERS, UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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